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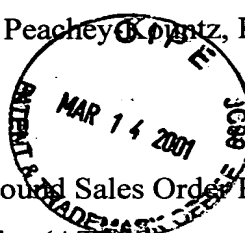
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For: Pre-Processor for Inbound Sales Order Requests with Link to a Third-Party Available to Promise (ATP) System



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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 31 January 2001, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please substitute the following paragraph for the paragraph on page 3 starting at line 14:

Several patents relate to the pre-processing of presentation, documents, and the like. These pre-processing systems are not, however, directly applicable to EDI and have shortcomings with respect to EDI applications. U.S Pat. N. 5,577,258 to Cruz et al. discloses an apparatus and method for pre-processing multimedia presentations to be delivered to customers such that delays due to interactive response time are virtually eliminated. This method, however, is not directly applicable to EDI applications.

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